

December 13, 2002

To: Supervisor, Yvonne Brathwaite Burke Chair
Supervisor Gloria Molina
Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky
Supervisor Don Knabe
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From: David E. Janssen
Chief Administrative Officer

SHERIFF BOARD LETTER REQUESTING TO RETROACTIVELY ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO GAMBRO HEALTHCARE, INC. FOR INMATE END STAGE RENAL DIALYSIS TREATMENT SERVICES (ITEM NO. 96, AGENDA OF DECEMBER 17, 2002)

The Chief Administrative Office's recommendation on Item No. 96 is policy since they are requesting Board approval to issue a retroactive purchase order. The Sheriff's Department is requesting approval for the Internal Services Department (ISD), as the County's Purchasing Agent, to issue a retroactive purchase order in the amount of \$97,811 to authorize payment to Gambro Healthcare, Inc. (Gambro) for inmate out-patient end stage renal dialysis treatment services provided during the period of July 1, 2001 through October 31, 2001. The Sheriff is legally mandated to provide these critical treatment services to inmates who medically require it.

The current agreement (No. 73962) with Gambro, approved by your Board on November 1, 2001, did not include provisions for payment of outstanding invoices. The agreement was extended on October 1, 2002 for six months with an additional six months, on a month-to-month basis, to allow the Department sufficient time to re-solicit a Request for Proposal for these services. Again, provisions for payment of these outstanding invoices was not included.

This is one of the items identified by the Sheriff as a procurement violation and was disclosed to your Board on November 20, 2002. Approval of the Sheriff's request will allow for the retroactive payment of Gambro's outstanding charges for services rendered from July 1, 2001 through October 31, 2001. While it is not our policy to recommend approval of retroactive contracts, we have placed this item on the December 17, 2002 Board Agenda for your consideration as a policy issue.

If you have questions or require additional information, please contact Brian Mahan at (213) 893-2297.

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